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***AN ACT CONCERNING COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN FINANCE
REFORM FOR STATE-WIDE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES AND THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held*
2 *in 2010, and thereafter*) As used in sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,
3 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act:

4 (1) "Commission" means the State Elections Enforcement
5 Commission.

6 (2) "Convention" means "convention", as defined in section 9-372 of
7 the general statutes.

8 (3) "Depository account" means the single checking account at the
9 depository institution designated as the depository for the candidate
10 committee's moneys in accordance with the provisions of subsection
11 (a) of section 9-333f of the general statutes.

12 (4) "Elector" means any person possessing the qualifications
13 prescribed by the constitution and duly admitted to, and entitled to

14 exercise, the privileges of an elector in a town.

15 (5) "Fund" means the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 2
16 of this act.

17 (6) "Lobbyist" has the same meaning as "lobbyist", as defined in
18 section 1-91 of the general statutes.

19 (7) "Major party" means "major party", as defined in section 9-372 of
20 the general statutes.

21 (8) "Minor party" means "minor party", as defined in section 9-372 of
22 the general statutes.

23 (9) "Permitted expenditure amount" means the aggregate of (A) the
24 amount of qualifying contributions permitted in section 9 of this act,
25 (B) the applicable amount of contributions that a candidate committee
26 receives from party committees in accordance with the provisions of
27 section 9-333s of the general statutes, as amended by this act, and (C)
28 the amount of grants that a candidate committee receives from the
29 Citizens' Election Fund.

30 (10) "Qualified candidate committee" means a candidate committee
31 (A) established to aid or promote the success of any candidate for
32 nomination or election on or after January 1, 2010, to a state office, and
33 (B) which is approved by the commission to receive a grant from the
34 Citizens' Election Fund under section 14 of this act.

35 (11) "State office" means the office of Governor, Lieutenant
36 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer,
37 Secretary of the State, state senator or state representative.

38 (12) "State office election" means the election for state offices held on
39 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in every fourth
40 year in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of
41 Connecticut.

42 (13) "Associated business" has the same meaning as "business with
43 which he is associated", as defined in section 9-333a, of the general
44 statutes, as amended.

45 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
46 *2010, and thereafter*) There is established, within the General Fund, a
47 separate, nonlapsing account to be known as the "Citizens' Election
48 Fund". The fund may contain any moneys required by law to be
49 deposited in the fund. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the
50 fund shall become part of the assets of the fund. All moneys deposited
51 in the fund shall be used for the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6
52 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act. The State Elections
53 Enforcement Commission may deduct and retain from the moneys in
54 the fund an amount equal to the costs incurred by the commission in
55 administering the provisions of said sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,
56 inclusive, and 38 and 39, provided said amount shall not exceed three
57 per cent of the moneys deposited in the fund in any fiscal year. Any
58 portion of said three per cent allocation which exceeds said costs
59 incurred by the commission in any fiscal year shall continue to be
60 available for any said costs incurred by the commission in subsequent
61 fiscal years.

62 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years*
63 *commencing on or after January 1, 2004*) (a) (1) Any taxpayer filing a
64 return under chapter 229 of the general statutes for taxable years
65 commencing on or after January 1, 2004, may contribute all or part of a
66 refund under said chapter 229 to the Citizens' Election Fund
67 established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return the
68 amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth in
69 subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such
70 contribution shall be five thousand dollars per calendar year, except
71 that, in the case of a husband and wife filing a joint tax return, the
72 maximum amount of any such contribution shall be ten thousand
73 dollars per calendar year.

74 (2) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 229 of the general
75 statutes for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004,
76 whose income tax liability for the taxable year, before applying any
77 credit under section 12-704c of the general statutes, as amended, is five
78 dollars or more, may designate that five dollars of such tax liability
79 shall be paid over to the fund by so indicating on the tax return. In the
80 case of a husband and wife filing a joint return with an income tax
81 liability of ten dollars or more, each spouse may designate that five
82 dollars of such tax liability shall be paid over to the fund by so
83 indicating on the tax return. Any designation made pursuant to this
84 subdivision shall not increase the taxpayer's income tax liability.

85 (3) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 229 of the general
86 statutes may contribute an additional amount to the Citizens' Election
87 Fund established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return
88 the amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth
89 in subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such
90 contribution shall be five thousand dollars per calendar year, except
91 that, in the case of a husband and wife filing a joint tax return, the
92 maximum amount of any such contribution shall be ten thousand
93 dollars per calendar year. Any contribution made pursuant to this
94 subdivision shall be in addition to the amount of tax reported to be
95 due on such return and shall be paid at the same time as the tax due on
96 such return is paid and in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner
97 of Revenue Services.

98 (4) The total combined contributions that a taxpayer may make
99 under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection shall be five thousand
100 dollars per calendar year, except that, in the case of a husband and
101 wife filing a joint tax return, the total combined contributions that such
102 husband and wife may make under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this
103 subsection shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year.

104 (b) A contribution or designation made pursuant to this section shall
105 be irrevocable upon the filing of the return. A taxpayer making a

106 contribution or designation pursuant to this subsection shall so
107 indicate on the tax return in a manner provided for by the
108 Commissioner of Revenue Services pursuant to subsection (c) of this
109 section.

110 (c) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall revise the income
111 tax return form to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this
112 section. Such form shall include (1) a space on the return in which
113 taxpayers may indicate their intention to make a contribution or
114 designation in accordance with this section, and (2) instructions for
115 payment of any contribution under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of
116 this section. The commissioner shall include in the instructions
117 accompanying the tax return a description of the purposes for which
118 the Citizens' Election Fund was established.

119 (d) A contribution of all or part of a refund shall be made in the full
120 amount indicated if the refund found due the taxpayer upon the initial
121 processing of the return, and after any deductions required by chapter
122 229 of the general statutes, is greater than or equal to the indicated
123 contribution. If the refund due, as determined upon initial processing,
124 and after any deductions required by said chapter 229, is less than the
125 indicated contribution, the contribution shall be made in the full
126 amount of the refund. The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall
127 subtract the amount of any contribution of all or part of a refund from
128 the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer and shall
129 certify (1) the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer,
130 (2) the amount of any such contribution, and (3) the amount of the
131 difference to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and
132 the State Treasurer for payment to the taxpayer in accordance with
133 said chapter 229. For the purposes of any subsequent determination of
134 the taxpayer's net tax payment, such contribution shall be considered a
135 part of the refund paid to the taxpayer.

136 (e) The Commissioner of Revenue Services, after notification of and
137 approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,

138 may deduct and retain from the moneys collected under subsections
139 (a) to (d), inclusive, of this section an amount equal to the costs of
140 administering this section, but not to exceed four per cent of such
141 moneys collected in any fiscal year. The Commissioner of Revenue
142 Services shall deposit the remaining moneys collected in the Citizens'
143 Election Fund.

144 (f) An amount equal to the amount contributed by a taxpayer under
145 subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section with respect to
146 the preceding taxable year of the taxpayer shall be subtracted from the
147 adjusted gross income of the taxpayer for the purposes of determining
148 the Connecticut adjusted gross income of the taxpayer in section 12-
149 701 of the general statutes, as amended.

150 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years*
151 *commencing on or after January 1, 2004*) (a) (1) Any taxpayer filing a
152 return under chapter 208 of the general statutes for taxable years
153 commencing on or after January 1, 2004, may contribute all or part of a
154 refund under said chapter 208 to the Citizens' Election Fund
155 established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return the
156 amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth in
157 subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such
158 contribution shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year.

159 (2) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 208 of the general
160 statutes for taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004,
161 whose income tax liability for the taxable year, before applying any
162 credits under chapter 208 of the general statutes, is five dollars or
163 more, may designate that two hundred dollars of such tax liability or,
164 if such tax liability is less than two hundred dollars, the full amount of
165 such tax liability, shall be paid over to the Citizens' Election Fund
166 established in section 2 of this act, by so indicating on the tax return.
167 Any designation made pursuant to this subdivision shall not increase
168 the taxpayer's income tax liability.

169 (3) Any taxpayer filing a return under chapter 208 of the general
170 statutes may contribute an additional amount to the Citizens' Election
171 Fund established in section 2 of this act, by indicating on the tax return
172 the amount to be contributed to the fund. Subject to the limit set forth
173 in subdivision (4) of this subsection, the maximum amount of any such
174 contribution shall be ten thousand dollars per calendar year. Any
175 contribution made pursuant to this subdivision shall be in addition to
176 the amount of tax reported to be due on such return and shall be paid
177 at the same time as the tax due on such return is paid and in the
178 manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue Services.

179 (4) The total combined contributions that a taxpayer may make
180 under subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection shall be ten thousand
181 dollars per calendar year.

182 (b) A contribution or designation made pursuant to this section shall
183 be irrevocable upon the filing of the return. A taxpayer making a
184 contribution or designation pursuant to this subsection shall so
185 indicate on the tax return in a manner provided for by the
186 Commissioner of Revenue Services pursuant to subsection (c) of this
187 section.

188 (c) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall revise the income
189 tax return form to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this
190 section. Such form shall include (1) a space on the return in which
191 taxpayers may indicate their intention to make a contribution or
192 designation in accordance with this section, and (2) instructions for
193 payment of any contribution under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of
194 this section. The commissioner shall include in the instructions
195 accompanying the tax return a description of the purposes for which
196 the Citizens' Election Fund was established.

197 (d) A contribution of all or part of a refund shall be made in the full
198 amount indicated if the refund found due the taxpayer upon the initial
199 processing of the return, and after any deductions required by chapter

200 208 of the general statutes, is greater than or equal to the indicated
201 contribution. If the refund due, as determined upon initial processing
202 and after any deductions required by said chapter 208, is less than the
203 indicated contribution, the contribution shall be made in the full
204 amount of the refund. The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall
205 subtract the amount of any contribution of all or part of a refund from
206 the amount of the refund initially found due the taxpayer and shall
207 certify (1) the amount of the refund initially due the taxpayer, (2) the
208 amount of any such contribution, and (3) the amount of the difference
209 to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the State
210 Treasurer for payment to the taxpayer in accordance with said chapter
211 208. For the purposes of any subsequent determination of the
212 taxpayer's net tax payment, such contribution shall be considered a
213 part of the refund paid to the taxpayer.

214 (e) The Commissioner of Revenue Services, after notification of and
215 approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,
216 may deduct and retain from the moneys collected under subsections
217 (a) to (d), inclusive, of this section an amount equal to the costs of
218 administering this section, but not to exceed four per cent of such
219 moneys collected in any fiscal year. The Commissioner of Revenue
220 Services shall deposit the remaining moneys collected in the Citizens'
221 Election Fund.

222 (f) An amount equal to the amount contributed by a taxpayer under
223 subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (a) of this section with respect to
224 the preceding taxable year of the taxpayer shall be deducted from the
225 gross income of the taxpayer in arriving at net income as defined in
226 section 12-213 of the general statutes.

227 Sec. 5. Subsection (e) of section 9-333j of the general statutes, as
228 amended by section 5 of public act 03-223 and section 62 of public act
229 03-241, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
230 (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and*
231 *thereafter*):

232 (e) (1) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter to the
233 contrary, in the event of a surplus the campaign treasurer of a
234 candidate committee or of a political committee, other than a political
235 committee formed for ongoing political activities or an exploratory
236 committee, shall distribute or expend such surplus [within] not later
237 than ninety days after a primary which results in the defeat of the
238 candidate, an election or referendum not held in November or by
239 January thirty-first following an election or referendum held in
240 November, in the following manner:

241 (A) Such committees may distribute their surplus to a party
242 committee, or a political committee organized for ongoing political
243 activities, return such surplus to all contributors to the committee on a
244 prorated basis of contribution, distribute all or any part of such surplus
245 to the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 2 of this act or
246 distribute such surplus to any charitable organization which is a tax-
247 exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
248 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code
249 of the United States, as from time to time amended, provided (i) no
250 candidate committee may distribute such surplus to a committee
251 which has been established to finance future political campaigns of the
252 candidate, (ii) a candidate committee which received moneys from the
253 Citizens' Election Fund shall distribute such surplus to such fund, and
254 (iii) a candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success of a
255 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant
256 Governor, the candidate of which campaigns jointly with a candidate
257 for nomination or election to the office of Governor shall distribute
258 such surplus in accordance with the provisions of section 17 of this act;

259 (B) Each such political committee established by an organization
260 which received its funds from the organization's treasury shall return
261 its surplus to its sponsoring organization;

262 (C) (i) Each political committee formed solely to aid or promote the
263 success or defeat of any referendum question, which does not receive

264 contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall distribute
265 its surplus to a party committee, to a political committee organized for
266 ongoing political activities, to a national committee of a political party,
267 to all contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution,
268 to state or municipal governments or agencies or to any organization
269 which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the
270 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding
271 internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time
272 amended. [(ii) each] Each political committee formed solely to aid or
273 promote the success or defeat of any referendum question, which
274 receives contributions from a business entity or an organization, shall
275 distribute its surplus to all contributors to the committee on a prorated
276 basis of contribution, to state or municipal governments or agencies, or
277 to any organization which is tax-exempt under said provisions of the
278 Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding the provisions of this
279 subsection, a committee formed for a single referendum shall not be
280 required to expend its surplus within ninety days after the referendum
281 and may continue in existence if a substantially similar referendum
282 question on the same issue will be submitted to the electorate within
283 six months after the first referendum. If two or more substantially
284 similar referenda on the same issue are submitted to the electorate,
285 each no more than six months apart, the committee shall expend such
286 surplus within ninety days following the date of the last such
287 referendum;

288 (D) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of a
289 candidate who is elected to office may, upon the authorization of such
290 candidate, expend surplus campaign funds to pay for the cost of
291 clerical, secretarial or other office expenses necessarily incurred by
292 such candidate in preparation for taking office; except such surplus
293 shall not be distributed for the personal benefit of any individual or to
294 any organization; and

295 (E) The campaign treasurer of a candidate committee, or of a
296 political committee, other than a political committee formed for

297 ongoing political activities or an exploratory committee, shall, prior to
298 the dissolution of such committee, either (i) distribute any equipment
299 purchased, including but not limited to computer equipment, to any
300 recipient as set forth in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, or (ii) sell
301 any equipment purchased, including but not limited to computer
302 equipment, to any person for fair market value and then distribute the
303 proceeds of such sale to any recipient as set forth in said subparagraph
304 (A).

305 (2) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter to the contrary,
306 the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of a candidate who
307 has withdrawn from a primary or election may, prior to the primary or
308 election, distribute its surplus to any organization which is tax-exempt
309 under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any
310 subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States,
311 as from time to time amended, or return such surplus to all
312 contributors to the committee on a prorated basis of contribution.

313 (3) [Within] Not later than seven days after such distribution or
314 [within] not later than seven days after all funds have been expended
315 in accordance with subparagraph (D) of subdivision (1) of this
316 subsection, the campaign treasurer shall file a supplemental statement,
317 sworn under penalty of false statement, with the proper authority,
318 identifying all further contributions received since the previous
319 statement and explaining how any surplus has been distributed or
320 expended in accordance with this section. No surplus may be
321 distributed or expended until after the election, primary or
322 referendum.

323 (4) In the event of a deficit the campaign treasurer shall file a
324 supplemental statement ninety days after an election, primary or
325 referendum not held in November or on the seventh calendar day in
326 February, or the next business day if such day is a Saturday, Sunday or
327 legal holiday, after an election or referendum held in November, with
328 the proper authority and, thereafter, on the seventh day of each month

329 following if on the last day of the previous month there was an
330 increase or decrease in the deficit in excess of five hundred dollars
331 from that reported on the last statement filed. The campaign treasurer
332 shall file such supplemental statements as required until the deficit is
333 eliminated. If any such committee does not have a surplus or a deficit,
334 the statement required to be filed [within] not later than forty-five days
335 following any election or referendum not held in November or on the
336 seventh calendar day in January, or the next business day if such day is
337 a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, following an election or
338 referendum held in November, or [within] not later than thirty days
339 following any primary shall be the last required statement.

340 Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) All payments of civil penalties
341 or late fees imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission or
342 the Secretary of the State under title 9 of the general statutes or by the
343 State Ethics Commission under chapter 10 of the general statutes,
344 which are received after the effective date of this section, shall be
345 immediately transmitted to the State Treasurer for deposit in the
346 Citizens' Election Fund established in section 2 of this act.

347 Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) Any person, business entity,
348 organization, party committee or political committee, as defined in
349 section 9-333a of the general statutes, as amended, may contribute to
350 the Citizens' Election Fund. Any such contribution shall be made by
351 check or money order. The commission shall immediately transmit all
352 contributions received pursuant to this section to the State Treasurer
353 for deposit in the Citizens' Election Fund.

354 Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
355 *2010, and thereafter*) There is established a Citizens' Election Program
356 under which the candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or
357 election to a state office in 2010, or thereafter may receive grants from
358 the Citizens' Election Fund for the candidate's campaign for such
359 office. Any such candidate is eligible to receive such grants if (1) the
360 candidate's candidate committee receives the required amount of

361 qualifying contributions described in section 9 of this act, (2) the
362 candidate's candidate committee returns all contributions that are not
363 qualifying contributions as described in section 9 of this act, (3) the
364 candidate's exploratory committee, if any, returns all contributions that
365 do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to a candidate
366 committee as described in section 9 of this act, (4) the candidate agrees
367 to limit campaign expenditures to not more than the aggregate of (A)
368 the amount of qualifying contributions permitted in section 9 of this
369 act, (B) the applicable amount of contributions that the candidate
370 committee receives from party committees in accordance with the
371 provisions of section 9-333s of the general statutes, as amended by this
372 act, and (C) the amount of such grant or grants, and (5) the candidate
373 complies with the requirements of section 14 of this act.

374 Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
375 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The amount of qualifying contributions which
376 the candidate committee of a candidate needs to receive in order to be
377 eligible for grants from the Citizens' Election Fund shall be:

378 (1) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
379 of Governor, contributions from individuals in the aggregate amount
380 of two hundred thousand dollars, of which one hundred eighty
381 thousand dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the
382 state, provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of
383 any contribution or contributions from an individual other than such
384 candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess portion
385 shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all
386 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the
387 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this
388 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts;

389 (2) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
390 of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
391 Treasurer or Secretary of the State, contributions from individuals in
392 the aggregate amount of forty thousand dollars, of which thirty-six

393 thousand dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the
394 state, provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of
395 any contribution or contributions from an individual other than such
396 candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess portion
397 shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all
398 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the
399 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this
400 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts;

401 (3) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
402 of state senator, contributions from individuals in the aggregate
403 amount of twenty thousand dollars, of which eighteen thousand
404 dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the state,
405 provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of any
406 contribution or contributions from an individual other than such
407 candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess portion
408 shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all
409 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the
410 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this
411 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts; and

412 (4) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
413 of state representative, contributions from individuals in the aggregate
414 amount of five thousand dollars, of which four thousand five hundred
415 dollars or more is contributed by individuals residing in the state,
416 provided (A) the candidate committee shall return the portion of any
417 contribution or contributions from an individual other than such
418 candidate that exceeds one hundred dollars, and such excess portion
419 shall not be considered in calculating such amounts, and (B) all
420 contributions received by an exploratory committee that meet the
421 criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this
422 section shall be considered in calculating such amounts.

423 (b) Each individual who makes a contribution to a candidate
424 committee established to aid or promote the success of a participating

425 candidate for nomination or election to a state office shall include with
426 the contribution a certification that (1) neither the individual nor the
427 individual's spouse is a lobbyist, and (2) neither the individual, the
428 individual's spouse nor an associated business of the individual or the
429 individual's spouse has a contract with the state. A contribution from
430 (A) a lobbyist or the spouse of a lobbyist, or (B) an individual who has
431 a contract with the state, said individual's spouse or an individual
432 whose associated business or spouse's associated business has a
433 contract with the state shall not be deemed to be a qualifying
434 contribution under subsection (a) of this section and shall be returned
435 by the candidate committee.

436 (c) Each individual who makes a contribution to a candidate
437 committee established to aid or promote the success of a participating
438 candidate for nomination or election to a state office shall include the
439 individual's name and address with the contribution. A contribution
440 (1) from an individual that does not include such information, or (2)
441 from an individual who does not reside in the state, in excess of the
442 applicable limit on contributions from nonresidents in subsection (a) of
443 this section, shall not be deemed to be a qualifying contribution under
444 said subsection (a) and shall be returned by the candidate committee.

445 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
446 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The qualified candidate committee of a major
447 party or minor party candidate for the office of Governor, who does
448 not have a primary for nomination to such office, shall be eligible to
449 receive a grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as
450 follows: (1) Selection and support of delegates to a convention or
451 circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public
452 act 03-241, one hundred fifty thousand dollars; and (2) general election,
453 two million one hundred thousand dollars.

454 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
455 party candidate for the office of Governor, who has a primary for
456 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each

457 portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Selection and
458 support of delegates to a convention or circulation of petitions
459 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public act 03-241, one hundred
460 fifty thousand dollars; (2) primary for nomination, six hundred fifty
461 thousand dollars; and (3) general election, one million four hundred
462 fifty thousand dollars.

463 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party
464 candidate for the office of Governor shall be eligible to receive a grant
465 for each portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1)
466 Petitioning for ballot access, eight hundred thousand dollars; and (2)
467 general election, one million four hundred fifty thousand dollars.

468 (d) Not later than January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the
469 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount that is
470 required to be included in the calculations under subsection (a) to (c),
471 inclusive, of this section. The percentage of such increase shall equal
472 the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of the
473 United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

474 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
475 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The qualified candidate committee of a major
476 party or minor party candidate for the office of Attorney General, State
477 Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State, who does not
478 have a primary for nomination to such office, shall be eligible to
479 receive a grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as
480 follows: (1) Selection and support of delegates to a convention or
481 circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public
482 act 03-241, ten thousand dollars; and (2) general election, two hundred
483 seventy thousand dollars.

484 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
485 party candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller,
486 State Treasurer or Secretary of the State, who has a primary for
487 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each

488 portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Selection and
489 support of delegates to a convention or circulation of petitions
490 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public act 03-241, ten thousand
491 dollars; (2) primary for nomination, one hundred fifteen thousand
492 dollars; and (3) general election, one hundred sixty-five thousand
493 dollars.

494 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party
495 candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
496 Treasurer or Secretary of the State shall be eligible to receive a grant for
497 each portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Petitioning
498 for ballot access, one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars; and (2)
499 general election, one hundred sixty-five thousand dollars.

500 (d) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office
501 of Lieutenant Governor shall be eligible to receive grants from the
502 Citizens' Election Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a
503 convention or circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3,
504 inclusive of public act 03-241, primary for nomination and petitioning
505 for ballot access, in the same amounts as the grants for such campaigns
506 for qualified candidate committees of candidates for the offices of
507 Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer and Secretary of
508 the State. The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the
509 office of Lieutenant Governor shall not receive a grant for the general
510 election campaign.

511 (e) Not later than January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the
512 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount that is
513 required to be included in the calculations under subsections (a) to (d),
514 inclusive, of this section. The percentage of such increase shall equal
515 the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of the
516 United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

517 Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
518 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The qualified candidate committee of a major

519 party or minor party candidate for the office of state senator, who does
520 not have a primary for nomination to such office, shall be eligible to
521 receive a grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as
522 follows: (1) Selection and support of delegates to a convention or
523 circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public
524 act 03-241, five thousand dollars; and (2) general election, eighty
525 thousand dollars.

526 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
527 party candidate for the office of state senator, who has a primary for
528 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each
529 portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Selection and
530 support of delegates to a convention or circulation of petitions
531 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public act 03-241, five thousand
532 dollars; (2) primary for nomination, thirty-five thousand dollars; and
533 (3) general election, sixty thousand dollars.

534 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party
535 candidate for the office of state senator shall be eligible to receive a
536 grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1)
537 Petitioning for ballot access, forty thousand dollars; and (2) general
538 election, sixty thousand dollars.

539 (d) Not later than January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the
540 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount that is
541 required to be included in the calculations under subsection (a) to (c),
542 inclusive, of this section. The percentage of such increase shall equal
543 the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of the
544 United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

545 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
546 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) The qualified candidate committee of a major
547 party or minor party candidate for the office of state representative,
548 who does not have a primary for nomination to such office, shall be
549 eligible to receive a grant for each portion of the campaign for such

550 office as follows: (1) Selection and support of delegates to a convention
551 or circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of
552 public act 03-241, two thousand five hundred dollars; and (2) general
553 election, twenty thousand dollars.

554 (b) The qualified candidate committee of a major party or minor
555 party candidate for the office of state senator, who has a primary for
556 nomination to such office, shall be eligible to receive a grant for each
557 portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1) Selection and
558 support of delegates to a convention or circulation of petitions
559 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive of public act 03-241, two thousand
560 five hundred dollars; (2) primary for nomination, seven thousand five
561 dollars; and (3) general election, fifteen thousand dollars.

562 (c) The qualified candidate committee of a petitioning party
563 candidate for the office of state senator shall be eligible to receive a
564 grant for each portion of the campaign for such office as follows: (1)
565 Petitioning for ballot access, ten thousand dollars; and (2) general
566 election, twenty thousand dollars.

567 (d) Not later than January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the
568 commission shall compute an increase in the monetary amount that is
569 required to be included in the calculations under subsection (a) to (c),
570 inclusive, of this section. The percentage of such increase shall equal
571 the percentage increase in the average of the bulk mail rates of the
572 United States Postal Service during the preceding calendar year.

573 Sec. 14. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
574 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) A candidate whose candidate committee has
575 not received moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund may apply to the
576 State Elections Enforcement Commission for moneys from the fund for
577 one of the following campaigns, during the applicable period: (1) A
578 campaign for the selection and support of delegates to a convention or
579 for the circulation of petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of
580 public act 03-241, after January first in the year in which the election is

581 being held for the office that the candidate is seeking; (2) a petitioning
582 campaign for ballot access, after January first in the year in which the
583 election is being held for the office that the candidate is seeking; (3) a
584 primary campaign, after the close of the state convention of the
585 candidate's party that is called for the purpose of choosing candidates
586 for nomination for the office that the candidate is seeking, if said party
587 endorses the candidate for the office that the candidate is seeking, the
588 candidate receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
589 convention delegates present and voting on any roll-call vote taken on
590 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for the office
591 the candidate is seeking, or the candidate circulates a petition and
592 obtains the required number of signatures pursuant to section 9-400 of
593 the general statutes, as amended, for such office; or (4) a general
594 election campaign, (A) after the close of the state convention of the
595 candidate's party that is called for the purpose of choosing candidates
596 for nomination for the office that the candidate is seeking, if (i) said
597 party endorses said candidate for the office that the candidate is
598 seeking and no other candidate of said party files a certificate of
599 candidacy with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the
600 provisions of section 9-400 of the general statutes, (ii) the candidate
601 receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates
602 present and voting on any roll-call vote taken on the endorsement or
603 proposed endorsement of a candidate for the office the candidate is
604 seeking and no other candidate for such office at such convention
605 either receives the party endorsement or said percentage of said votes
606 for said endorsement or files a certificate of endorsement with the
607 Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-388
608 of the general statutes or a certificate of candidacy with the Secretary
609 of the State in accordance with the provisions of section 9-400 of the
610 general statutes, or (iii) the candidate circulates a petition and obtains
611 the required number of signatures pursuant to section 9-400 of the
612 general statutes, as amended, for such office and no other candidate
613 for such office at such convention either receives the party
614 endorsement or said percentage of said votes for said endorsement or

615 files a certificate of endorsement with the Secretary of the State in
616 accordance with the provisions of section 9-388 of the general statutes
617 or a certificate of candidacy with the Secretary of the State in
618 accordance with the provisions of section 9-400 of the general statutes,
619 (B) after any primary held by such party for nomination for such office,
620 if the Secretary of the State declares that the candidate is the party
621 nominee in accordance with the provisions of section 9-440 of the
622 general statutes, or (C) in the case of a petitioning party candidate,
623 after approval by the Secretary of the State of such candidate's
624 nominating petition pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-453o of the
625 general statutes.

626 (b) The application shall include a written certification that:

627 (1) The candidate committee has received the required amount of
628 qualifying contributions;

629 (2) The candidate committee has repaid all moneys borrowed on
630 behalf of the campaign, as required by subsection (b) of section 18 of
631 this act;

632 (3) The candidate committee has returned the portion of any
633 contribution or contributions from an individual that exceeds one
634 hundred dollars;

635 (4) The candidate committee has returned all contributions which
636 make the committee's aggregate amount of contributions received total
637 more than the amount of qualifying contributions;

638 (5) The candidate committee has returned any contribution received
639 from (A) a lobbyist or the spouse of a lobbyist, (B) an individual who
640 has a contract with the state, said individual's spouse, or an individual
641 whose associated business or spouse's associated business has a
642 contract with the state, or (C) a political committee;

643 (6) The candidate committee has returned any contribution from an

644 individual who (A) does not include the individual's name and
645 address with the contribution, or (B) does not reside in the state, if said
646 contribution is in excess of the applicable limit on contributions from
647 nonresidents in subsection (a) of section 9 of this act;

648 (7) The candidate's exploratory committee, if any, has returned all
649 contributions that do not meet the criteria for qualifying contributions
650 to a candidate committee as described in section 9 of this act;

651 (8) The candidate committee shall refuse to accept any additional
652 contributions, except for contributions from party committees in
653 accordance with the provisions of section 9-333s of the general statutes,
654 as amended by this act;

655 (9) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall comply
656 with the provisions of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and
657 38 and 39 of this act;

658 (10) All moneys received from the fund shall be deposited upon
659 receipt into the depository account of the candidate committee;

660 (11) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee shall
661 expend all moneys received from the fund in accordance with the
662 provisions of subsection (g) of section 9-333i of the general statutes;

663 (12) All individuals making qualifying contributions to the
664 candidate committee of the candidate have made the certifications
665 required in subsection (b) of section 9 of this act and the candidate has
666 no knowledge that any such certification is false;

667 (13) The campaign treasurer of the candidate committee of the
668 candidate has, and will continue to, file in electronic form all financial
669 disclosure statements required by section 9-333j of the general statutes.
670 The form of such electronic filing shall comply with the provisions of
671 section 9-348ee of the general statutes;

672 (14) If the candidate withdraws from the campaign, becomes

673 ineligible or dies during the campaign, the candidate committee of the
674 candidate shall return to the commission, for deposit in the fund, all
675 moneys received from the fund pursuant to sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6
676 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act which said candidate
677 committee has not spent as of the date of such occurrence; and

678 (15) In the case of a candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor,
679 that such candidate is not deemed to be aiding or promoting the
680 success of the campaign for Lieutenant Governor and the success of a
681 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor jointly as
682 described in subsection (a) of section 17 of this act.

683 (c) The application shall be accompanied by a cumulative itemized
684 accounting of all funds received, expenditures made and expenses
685 incurred but not yet paid by the candidate committee as of three days
686 before the date that the application is signed. Such accounting shall be
687 sworn to under penalty of false statement by the campaign treasurer of
688 the candidate committee. The commission shall prescribe the form of
689 the application and the cumulative itemized accounting, after
690 consulting with the Secretary of the State. The form for such
691 accounting shall conform to the requirements of section 9-333j of the
692 general statutes. Both the candidate and the campaign treasurer of the
693 candidate committee shall sign the application. The application shall
694 also be accompanied by a bond, with surety, in the amount which the
695 applicant candidate is eligible to receive initially from the fund. The
696 commission shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions
697 of chapter 54 of the general statutes, implementing such requirement
698 of a bond.

699 (d) Not later than five business days following receipt of any such
700 application, the commission shall review the application, determine
701 whether the candidate committee for the applicant (1) has received the
702 required qualifying contributions, and (2) in the case of an application
703 for moneys from the fund for a primary or general election campaign,
704 the applicant has met the applicable condition under subsection (a) of

705 this section for applying for such moneys and, if so, determine the
706 amount of moneys payable to the candidate committee from the fund
707 and notify the State Comptroller and the candidate of such candidate
708 committee, of such amount. Not later than three business days
709 following notification by the commission, the State Comptroller shall
710 draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of such amount to
711 the qualified candidate committee from the fund.

712 Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
713 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) Following the initial deposit of moneys from the
714 fund into the depository account of a qualified candidate committee,
715 no contribution, loan, amount of the candidate's own moneys or any
716 other moneys received by the candidate or the campaign treasurer on
717 behalf of the committee shall be deposited into said depository
718 account, except (1) grants from the fund, (2) contributions from party
719 committees in accordance with the provisions of section 9-333s of the
720 general statutes, as amended by this act, and (3) any additional
721 moneys from the fund as provided in sections 19 and 120of this act.

722 (b) A qualified candidate committee for a candidate for nomination
723 or election to a state office, which receives moneys from the fund, shall
724 not make expenditures or incur expenses in excess of the applicable
725 permitted expenditure amount.

726 Sec. 16. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
727 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) A qualified candidate committee that received
728 moneys from the Citizens' Elections Fund for the selection and support
729 of delegates to a convention and whose candidate is endorsed for
730 nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's
731 convention shall receive moneys from the fund for a primary
732 campaign if one or more other candidates for such nomination (1)
733 receive at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates
734 present and voting on any roll call vote taken on the endorsement or
735 proposed endorsement of a candidate for said office or (2) circulate
736 petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 03-241 and

737 obtain the required number of signatures for said office pursuant to
738 section 9-400 of the general statutes, as amended. Upon the close of the
739 convention and determining that such conditions have been met, the
740 State Elections Enforcement Commission shall notify the State
741 Comptroller of the amount due said candidate. Not later than three
742 business days following notification by the commission, the State
743 Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of
744 a primary campaign grant to the qualified candidate committee from
745 the fund. If no primary is held for such nomination, any unspent
746 moneys from such primary campaign grant shall be returned to the
747 commission and deposited in the fund or used by the candidate
748 committee to reduce the amount of the general election campaign
749 grant.

750 (b) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the
751 Citizens' Elections Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a
752 convention and whose candidate receives at least fifteen per cent of the
753 votes of the convention delegates present and voting on any roll call
754 vote taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a
755 candidate for said office shall receive moneys from the fund for a
756 primary campaign if (1) another candidate is endorsed for nomination
757 to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's convention, or
758 (2) one or more other candidates for such nomination (A) receive at
759 least fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates present
760 and voting on any roll call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed
761 endorsement of a candidate for said office, or (B) circulate petitions
762 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 03-241 and obtain
763 the required number of signatures for said office pursuant to section 9-
764 400 of the general statutes, as amended. Upon the close of the
765 convention and determining that such conditions have been met, the
766 State Elections Enforcement Commission shall notify the State
767 Comptroller of the amount due said candidate. Not later than three
768 business days following notification by the commission, the State
769 Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of

770 a primary campaign grant to the qualified candidate committee from
771 the fund. If no primary is held for such nomination, any unspent
772 moneys from such primary campaign grant shall be returned to the
773 commission and deposited in the fund or used by the candidate
774 committee to reduce the amount of the general election campaign
775 grant.

776 (c) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the
777 Citizens' Elections Fund for the circulation of petitions pursuant to
778 section 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 03-241 and whose candidate
779 obtains the required number of signatures for said office pursuant to
780 section 9-400 of the general statutes, as amended, shall receive moneys
781 from the fund for a primary campaign if (1) another candidate is
782 endorsed for nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at
783 the party's convention, or (2) one or more other candidates for such
784 nomination (A) receive at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
785 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on
786 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said
787 office, or (B) circulate petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of
788 public act 03-241 and obtain the required number of signatures
789 pursuant to section 9-400 of the general statutes, as amended. Upon the
790 close of the convention and determining that such conditions have
791 been met, the State Elections Enforcement Commission shall notify the
792 State Comptroller of the amount due said candidate. Not later than
793 three business days following notification by the commission, the State
794 Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of
795 a primary campaign grant to the qualified candidate committee from
796 the fund. If no primary is held for such nomination, any unspent
797 moneys from such primary campaign grant shall be returned to the
798 commission and deposited in the fund or used by the candidate
799 committee to reduce the amount of the general election campaign
800 grant.

801 (d) If a scheduled primary is cancelled pursuant to section 9-429 of
802 the general statutes, a qualified candidate committee which received

803 moneys from the fund for a primary and whose candidate is deemed
804 to have been lawfully nominated pursuant to said section 9-429 shall
805 receive moneys from the fund for a general election campaign. Upon
806 receiving verification from the Secretary of the State that a scheduled
807 primary has not been held and that the candidate of a qualified
808 candidate committee has been deemed to have been lawfully
809 nominated in accordance with the provisions of said section 9-429, the
810 commission shall notify the State Comptroller of the amount payable
811 to said qualified candidate committee and the State Comptroller shall
812 draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of the general
813 election campaign grant to said committee from the fund, provided the
814 amount of such general election grant shall be reduced by the amount
815 of the primary campaign grant which said candidate committee has
816 not spent as of the date of cancellation of the primary.

817 (e) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the
818 Citizens' Elections Fund for the selection and support of delegates to a
819 convention shall receive moneys from the fund for a general election
820 campaign if the candidate who established such committee (1) is
821 endorsed for nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at
822 the party's state convention and no other candidate (A) receives at least
823 fifteen per cent of the votes of the convention delegates present and
824 voting on any roll call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed
825 endorsement of a candidate for said office, or (B) circulates petitions
826 pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of public act 03-241 and obtains
827 the required number of signatures for said office pursuant to section 9-
828 400 of the general statutes, as amended, (2) receives at least fifteen per
829 cent of the votes of the convention delegates present and voting on any
830 roll call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a
831 candidate for said office and no other candidate is (A) endorsed for
832 nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's
833 state convention, (B) receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
834 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on
835 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said

836 office, or (C) circulates petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive,
837 of public act 03-241 and obtains the required number of signatures for
838 said office pursuant to section 9-400 of the general statutes, as
839 amended, or (3) circulates petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3,
840 inclusive, of public act 03-241 and obtains the required number of
841 signatures for said office pursuant to section 9-400 of the general
842 statutes, as amended, and no other candidate is (A) endorsed for
843 nomination to the office that the candidate is seeking at the party's
844 convention, (B) receives at least fifteen per cent of the votes of the
845 convention delegates present and voting on any roll call vote taken on
846 the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a candidate for said
847 office, or (C) circulates petitions pursuant to sections 1 to 3, inclusive,
848 of public act 03-241 and obtains the required number of signatures for
849 said office pursuant to section 9-400 of the general statutes, as
850 amended. Upon the close of the convention and determining that such
851 conditions have been met, the State Elections Enforcement
852 Commission shall notify the State Comptroller of the amount due said
853 candidate. Not later than three business days following notification by
854 the commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
855 Treasurer for payment of a general election campaign grant to the
856 qualified candidate committee from the fund.

857 (f) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the
858 fund for a primary campaign and whose candidate is the party
859 nominee shall receive moneys from the fund for a general election
860 campaign. Upon receiving verification from the Secretary of the State
861 of the declaration by the Secretary of the State in accordance with the
862 provisions of section 9-440 of the general statutes, of the results of the
863 votes cast at the primary, the commission shall notify the State
864 Comptroller of the amount payable to such qualified candidate
865 committee. Not later than three business days following notification by
866 the commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
867 Treasurer for payment of the general election campaign grant to said
868 committee from said fund.

869 (g) A qualified candidate committee that received moneys from the
870 fund for a petition campaign for ballot access and whose candidate's
871 nominating petition has been approved by the Secretary of the State
872 pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-453o of the general statutes, as
873 amended, shall receive moneys from the fund for a general election
874 campaign. Upon receiving notification from the Secretary of the State
875 of such approval, the commission shall notify the State Comptroller of
876 the amount payable to such qualified candidate committee. Not later
877 than three business days following notification by the commission, the
878 State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for
879 payment of the general election campaign grant to said committee
880 from said fund.

881 (h) Not later than twenty-four hours after any event under this
882 section that entitles a candidate to receive moneys from the fund for a
883 primary campaign or a general election campaign, the Secretary of the
884 State shall notify the commission of such event.

885 Sec. 17. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
886 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) For purposes of this section, expenditures made
887 for purposes of the permitted expenditure amount to aid or promote
888 the success of both a candidate for nomination or election to the office
889 of Governor and a candidate for nomination or election to the office of
890 Lieutenant Governor jointly, shall be considered expenditures made to
891 aid or promote the success of a candidate for nomination or election to
892 the office of Governor. The party-endorsed candidate for nomination
893 or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor and the party-endorsed
894 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor shall be
895 deemed to be aiding or promoting the success of both candidates
896 jointly upon the earliest of the following: (1) The primary, whether
897 held for the office of Governor, the office of Lieutenant Governor, or
898 both; (2) if no primary is held for the office of Governor or Lieutenant
899 Governor, the convention; or (3) a declaration by the party-endorsed
900 candidates that they shall campaign jointly. Any other candidate for
901 nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall be

902 deemed to be aiding or promoting the success of such candidacy for
903 the office of Lieutenant Governor and the success of a candidate for
904 nomination or election to the office of Governor jointly upon a
905 declaration by the candidates that they shall campaign jointly.

906 (b) The candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success
907 of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant
908 Governor, the candidate of which campaigns jointly with a candidate
909 for nomination or election to the office of Governor, shall be dissolved
910 as of the applicable date set forth in subsection (a) of this section. Not
911 later than fifteen days after the applicable date set forth in subsection
912 (a) of this section, the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee
913 formed to aid or promote the success of said candidate for nomination
914 or election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall file a statement
915 with the proper authority under section 9-333e of the general statutes,
916 as amended by this act, identifying all contributions received or
917 expenditures made by the committee since the previous statement and
918 the balance on hand or deficit, as the case may be. Not later than thirty
919 days after the applicable date set forth in subsection (a) of this section,
920 (1) the campaign treasurer of a qualified candidate committee formed
921 to aid or promote the success of said candidate for nomination or
922 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor shall distribute any
923 surplus to the fund, and (2) the campaign treasurer of a nonqualified
924 candidate committee formed to aid or promote the success of said
925 candidate for nomination or election to the office of Lieutenant
926 Governor shall return such surplus to all contributors on a prorated
927 basis of contribution or distribute such surplus to any charitable
928 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section
929 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent
930 corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time
931 to time amended.

932 Sec. 18. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
933 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) A qualified candidate committee may borrow
934 moneys on behalf of a campaign for the selection and support of

935 delegates to a convention, a primary or a general election from one or
936 more financial institutions, as defined in section 36a-41 of the general
937 statutes, in an aggregate amount not to exceed one thousand dollars.
938 The amount borrowed shall not constitute a qualifying contribution.
939 No individual, political committee or party committee, except the
940 candidate or, in a general election, the state central committee of a
941 political party, shall endorse or guarantee such a loan in an aggregate
942 amount in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. An endorsement or
943 guarantee of such a loan shall constitute a contribution by such
944 individual or committee for so long as the loan is outstanding. The
945 amount endorsed or guaranteed by such individual or committee shall
946 cease to constitute a contribution upon repayment of the amount
947 endorsed or guaranteed.

948 (b) All such loans shall be repaid in full prior to the date a candidate
949 committee applies for the moneys from the fund pursuant to section 14
950 of this act. The candidate shall certify to the commission that such
951 loans were repaid. A candidate who fails to repay such loans or fails to
952 certify such repayment to the commission shall not be eligible to
953 receive and shall not receive moneys from the fund.

954 Sec. 19. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
955 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) (1) A qualified candidate committee that
956 receives moneys from the fund pursuant to section 14 of this act and
957 makes expenditures in excess of the permitted expenditure amount (A)
958 shall repay to the fund the amount of expenditures in excess of the
959 applicable permitted expenditure amount, and (B) shall not receive
960 any additional moneys from the fund for the remainder of the election
961 cycle.

962 (2) In addition, a candidate of a qualified candidate committee that
963 receives moneys from the fund pursuant to section 14 of this act and
964 makes expenditures that, with the intent of said candidate, exceed the
965 applicable permitted expenditure amount by more than one per cent
966 shall (A) be liable to the fund for the amount of such excess

967 expenditures, and (B) be guilty of a class D felony.

968 (b) Additional moneys from the fund shall be paid to a qualified
969 candidate committee that received moneys from the fund if the
970 committee of an opposing candidate makes expenditures in excess of
971 the applicable permitted expenditure amount. Such additional moneys
972 from the fund shall be paid to a qualified candidate committee that
973 received moneys from the fund (1) regardless of whether the candidate
974 committee which makes expenditures in excess of the applicable
975 permitted expenditure amount has received moneys from the fund, (2)
976 in an amount equal to the greatest amount of expenditures in excess of
977 the applicable permitted expenditure amount which the committee of
978 an opposing candidate has made expenditures, but not more than one
979 hundred per cent of the amount of moneys which the qualified
980 candidate committee has received from the fund, and (3) immediately
981 following the commission's verification that the committee of an
982 opposing candidate has made expenditures in excess of the applicable
983 permitted expenditure amount. In the case of the candidate committee
984 of a nonparticipating candidate making such excess expenditures,
985 additional moneys shall not be paid to a qualified candidate committee
986 under this subsection until the general election campaign. No qualified
987 candidate committee which expends moneys in excess of the permitted
988 expenditure amount shall receive additional moneys from the fund
989 pursuant to this subsection.

990 (c) If a nonparticipating candidate makes or incurs the obligation to
991 make an excess expenditure more than twenty days before the day of a
992 convention, primary or election, the candidate shall file a declaration of
993 excess expenditures not later than forty-eight hours after making or
994 incurring the expenditure. If a nonparticipating candidate makes or
995 incurs the obligation to make an excess expenditure twenty days or
996 less before the day of a convention, primary or election, the candidate
997 shall file a declaration of excess expenditures not later than twenty-
998 four hours after making or incurring the expenditure. The commission
999 may determine whether any expenditure by a nonparticipating

1000 candidate shall be deemed an excess expenditure.

1001 Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
1002 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) Any person who makes or obligates to make an
1003 independent expenditure, as defined in section 9-333a of the general
1004 statutes, as amended, intended to promote the success or defeat of a
1005 candidate for nomination or election to a state office, which exceeds
1006 five hundred dollars, in the aggregate, during the period for the
1007 selection and support of delegates to a convention, a primary
1008 campaign period or an election campaign period, shall file a report of
1009 such independent expenditure to the State Elections Enforcement
1010 Commission. If the person makes or obligates to make such
1011 independent expenditure more than twenty days before the day of a
1012 convention, primary or election, the person shall file such report not
1013 later than forty-eight hours after such payment or obligation. If the
1014 person makes or obligates to make such independent expenditure
1015 twenty days or less before the day of a convention, primary or election,
1016 the person shall file such report not later than twenty-four hours after
1017 such payment or obligation. The report shall be filed under penalty of
1018 false statement.

1019 (b) The independent expenditure report shall include a statement (1)
1020 identifying the candidate for whom the independent expenditure is
1021 intended to promote the success or defeat, (2) affirming that the
1022 expenditure is totally independent and involves no cooperation or
1023 coordination with or direction from a candidate or a political party,
1024 and (3) affirming that the individual making the expenditure has not
1025 served or does not serve as treasurer, deputy treasurer or chairperson
1026 of the candidate committee during the same election cycle.

1027 (c) Any person may file a complaint with the commission upon the
1028 belief that (1) any such independent expenditure report or statement is
1029 false, or (2) any person who is required to file an independent
1030 expenditure report under subsection (a) of this section has failed to do
1031 so. The commission shall make a prompt determination on such a

1032 complaint.

1033 (d) Upon the receipt of a report that such an independent
1034 expenditure has been made or obligated to be made, the commission
1035 shall immediately notify the State Comptroller that additional money,
1036 equal to the amount of the independent expenditure, shall be paid to
1037 the qualifying candidate committees of each participating candidate
1038 whom the independent expenditure is intended to oppose or defeat.
1039 Not later than three business days following notification by the
1040 commission, the State Comptroller shall draw an order on the State
1041 Treasurer for payment of such amount to each such qualified
1042 candidate committee from the fund. The provisions of this subsection
1043 shall be subject to the following:

1044 (1) The maximum aggregate amount of funding that the qualified
1045 candidate committee of a participating candidate shall receive to
1046 match the independent expenditures made or obligated to be made on
1047 behalf of an opposing participating candidate shall not be greater than
1048 one hundred per cent of the total moneys that said candidate
1049 committee has received from the fund.

1050 (2) The maximum aggregate amount of funding that the qualified
1051 candidate committee of a participating candidate shall receive to
1052 match the independent expenditures and the excess expenditures of a
1053 nonparticipating candidate shall not be greater than two hundred per
1054 cent of the total moneys that said candidate committee has received
1055 from the fund.

1056 (3) Such additional funding shall be granted to the qualified
1057 candidate committee of a participating candidate opposed by a
1058 nonparticipating candidate only if the nonparticipating candidate's
1059 campaign expenditures, combined with the amount of the
1060 independent expenditures, exceed the applicable permitted
1061 expenditure amount for the participating candidate, during the general
1062 election campaign.

1063 Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
1064 *2010, and thereafter*) On the second Tuesday in July in any year in
1065 which a state office election is held, and on each subsequent Tuesday
1066 until and including the fourth Tuesday in October in such year, the
1067 campaign treasurer of each candidate committee organized to aid or
1068 promote the success of a candidate for nomination or election to a state
1069 office at such election shall file with the Secretary of the State and the
1070 commission a statement, sworn under penalty of false statement, of
1071 itemized receipts and expenditures for the preceding seven calendar
1072 days. If a campaign treasurer fails to file any statement required by this
1073 section (1) within the time required, or (2) with both the Secretary of
1074 the State and the commission, such campaign treasurer shall be subject
1075 to a civil penalty imposed by the commission, of not more than one
1076 thousand dollars for each such failure under subdivision (1) or (2) of
1077 this section.

1078 Sec. 22. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
1079 *2010, and thereafter*) The Secretary of the State shall provide in
1080 electronic format, free of charge, to each committee that receives
1081 moneys from the Citizens' Elections Fund pursuant to section 14 of this
1082 act, a copy of the voter registration list for the state or district,
1083 whichever is applicable, which is generated from the state-wide
1084 centralized voter registration system established pursuant to the plan
1085 authorized under section 1 of special act 91-45 and completed pursuant
1086 to public act 03-117.

1087 Sec. 23. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
1088 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) Not later than March first in the year before any
1089 year in which a state office election is to be held, the commission shall
1090 determine whether the amount of moneys in the fund is sufficient to
1091 carry out the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive,
1092 and 38 and 39 of this act, based on the information available to the
1093 commission at such time. If the commission determines at such time
1094 that the amount of moneys in the fund is not sufficient to carry out
1095 such purposes, the commission shall immediately issue a report. The

1096 General Assembly may authorize alternative sources of funding
1097 sufficient to carry out the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,
1098 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act.

1099 (b) Not later than January first in any year in which a state office
1100 election is to be held, the commission shall determine whether the
1101 amount of moneys in the fund is sufficient to carry out the purposes of
1102 sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act. If
1103 the commission determines that such amount is not sufficient to carry
1104 out such purposes, the commission shall, not later than three days after
1105 such later determination, (1) determine the percentage of the fund's
1106 obligations that can be met for such election, (2) recalculate the amount
1107 of each payment that a qualified candidate committee is entitled to
1108 receive under sections 10, 11, 12 or 13 of this act by multiplying such
1109 percentage by the amount that the committee would have been
1110 entitled to receive under said section if there were a sufficient amount
1111 of moneys in the fund, and (3) notify each applicant for moneys from
1112 the fund of such insufficiency, percentage and applicable recalculation.
1113 After a qualified candidate committee first receives any such
1114 recalculated payment, the committee may resume accepting
1115 contributions and making expenditures from such contributions,
1116 provided no qualified candidate committee which receives such
1117 recalculated payments from the fund shall accept contributions in
1118 excess of the amount of moneys which the committee was entitled to
1119 receive from the fund but did not receive from the fund. The
1120 commission shall also issue a report on said determination. The
1121 General Assembly may authorize alternative sources of funding
1122 sufficient to carry out the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,
1123 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act. If the commission issues such
1124 determination at a time when the General Assembly is not in session,
1125 the commission shall notify the president pro tempore of the Senate
1126 and the speaker of the House of Representatives who may call a
1127 special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with section 2-7
1128 of the general statutes, to consider authorizing such alternative sources

1129 of funding.

1130 (c) The commission shall establish a reserve account in the fund. The
1131 first twenty-five thousand dollars deposited in the fund during any
1132 year shall be placed in said account. The commission shall use moneys
1133 in the reserve account only during the seven days preceding an
1134 election for payments to candidates (1) whose payments were reduced
1135 under subsection (b) of this section, or (2) who are entitled to funding
1136 to match independent expenditures pursuant to section 20 of this act
1137 during said seven-day period.

1138 Sec. 24. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
1139 *2010, and thereafter*) A candidate of a candidate committee which
1140 receives moneys from the Citizens' Elections Fund may expend
1141 personal moneys in an aggregate amount not exceeding one thousand
1142 dollars to aid or promote the success of such candidate's campaign for
1143 nomination or election to a state office. Any such expenditure shall be
1144 made and reported in accordance with the provisions of sections 9-333i
1145 and 9-333j of the general statutes and shall be considered a qualifying
1146 contribution for the purposes of section 9 of this act.

1147 Sec. 25. Section 9-333a of the general statutes, as amended by section
1148 10 of public act 03-241, is repealed and the following is substituted in
1149 lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010,*
1150 *and thereafter*):

1151 As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,
1152 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act:

1153 (1) "Committee" means a party committee, political committee or a
1154 candidate committee organized, as the case may be, for a single
1155 primary, election or referendum, or for ongoing political activities, to
1156 aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party, any one or
1157 more candidates for public office or the position of town committee
1158 member or any referendum question.

1159 (2) "Party committee" means a state central committee or a town
1160 committee. "Party committee" does not mean a party-affiliated or
1161 district, ward or borough committee which receives all of its funds
1162 from the state central committee of its party or from a single town
1163 committee with the same party affiliation. Any such committee so
1164 funded shall be construed to be a part of its state central or town
1165 committee for purposes of this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6
1166 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act.

1167 (3) "Political committee" means (A) a committee organized by a
1168 business entity or organization, (B) persons other than individuals, or
1169 two or more individuals organized or acting jointly conducting their
1170 activities in or outside the state, (C) a committee established by a
1171 candidate to determine the particular public office to which [he] such
1172 candidate shall seek nomination or election, and referred to in this
1173 chapter as an exploratory committee, or (D) a committee established by
1174 or on behalf of a slate of candidates in a primary for the office of justice
1175 of the peace, but does not mean a candidate committee or a party
1176 committee.

1177 (4) "Candidate committee" means any committee designated by a
1178 single candidate, or established with the consent, authorization or
1179 cooperation of a candidate, for the purpose of a single primary or
1180 election and to aid or promote [his] such candidate's candidacy alone
1181 for a particular public office or the position of town committee
1182 member, but does not mean a political committee or a party
1183 committee.

1184 (5) "National committee" means the organization which according to
1185 the bylaws of a political party is responsible for the day-to-day
1186 operation of the party at the national level.

1187 (6) "Organization" means all labor organizations, (A) as defined in
1188 the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, as from
1189 time to time amended, or (B) as defined in subdivision (9) of section

1190 31-101, employee organizations as defined in subsection (d) of section
1191 5-270 and subdivision (6) of section 7-467, bargaining representative
1192 organizations for teachers, any local, state or national organization, to
1193 which a labor organization pays membership or per capita fees, based
1194 upon its affiliation or membership, and trade or professional
1195 associations which receive their funds exclusively from membership
1196 dues, whether organized in or outside of this state, but does not mean
1197 a candidate committee, party committee or a political committee.

1198 (7) "Business entity" means the following, whether organized in or
1199 outside of this state: Stock corporations, banks, insurance companies,
1200 business associations, bankers associations, insurance associations,
1201 trade or professional associations which receive funds from
1202 membership dues and other sources, partnerships, joint ventures,
1203 private foundations, as defined in Section 509 of the Internal Revenue
1204 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code
1205 of the United States, as from time to time amended; trusts or estates;
1206 corporations organized under sections 38a-175 to 38a-192, inclusive,
1207 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, and
1208 chapters 594 to 597, inclusive; cooperatives, and any other association,
1209 organization or entity which is engaged in the operation of a business
1210 or profit-making activity; but does not include professional service
1211 corporations organized under chapter 594a and owned by a single
1212 individual, nonstock corporations which are not engaged in business
1213 or profit-making activity, organizations, as defined in subdivision (6)
1214 of this section, candidate committees, party committees and political
1215 committees as defined in this section. For purposes of this chapter,
1216 corporations which are component members of a controlled group of
1217 corporations, as those terms are defined in Section 1563 of the Internal
1218 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal
1219 revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, shall
1220 be deemed to be one corporation.

1221 (8) "Individual" means a human being, a sole proprietorship, or a
1222 professional service corporation organized under chapter 594a and

1223 owned by a single human being.

1224 (9) "Person" means an individual, committee, firm, partnership,
1225 organization, association, syndicate, company trust, corporation,
1226 limited liability company or any other legal entity of any kind but does
1227 not mean the state or any political or administrative subdivision of the
1228 state.

1229 (10) "Candidate" means an individual who seeks nomination for
1230 election or election to public office whether or not such individual is
1231 elected, and for the purposes of this chapter and sections 1 to 4,
1232 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act an individual
1233 shall be deemed to seek nomination for election or election if [he] such
1234 individual has (A) been endorsed by a party or become eligible for a
1235 position on the ballot at an election or primary, or (B) solicited or
1236 received contributions, made expenditures or given [his] such
1237 individual's consent to any other person to solicit or receive
1238 contributions or make expenditures with the intent to bring about [his]
1239 such individual's nomination for election or election to any such office.
1240 "Candidate" also means a slate of candidates which is to appear on the
1241 ballot in a primary for the office of justice of the peace. For the
1242 purposes of sections 9-333 to 9-333l, inclusive, as amended by this act,
1243 and section 9-333w, "candidate" also means an individual who is a
1244 candidate in a primary for town committee members.

1245 (11) "Campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed by a
1246 candidate or by the [chairman] chairperson of a party committee or a
1247 political committee to receive and disburse funds on behalf of the
1248 candidate or committee.

1249 (12) "Deputy campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed
1250 by the candidate or by the [chairman] chairperson of a committee to
1251 serve in the capacity of the campaign treasurer if the campaign
1252 treasurer is unable to perform [his] the campaign treasurer's duties.

1253 (13) "Solicitor" means an individual appointed by a campaign

1254 treasurer of a committee to receive, but not to disburse, funds on
1255 behalf of the committee.

1256 (14) "Referendum question" means a question to be voted upon at
1257 any election or referendum, including a proposed constitutional
1258 amendment.

1259 (15) "Lobbyist" means a lobbyist as defined in subsection (l) of
1260 section 1-91.

1261 (16) "Business with which he is associated" means any business in
1262 which the contributor is a director, officer, owner, limited or general
1263 partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent or more of the total
1264 outstanding stock of any class. Officer refers only to the president,
1265 executive or senior vice-president or treasurer of such business.

1266 (17) "Independent expenditure" means an expenditure that is made
1267 without the consent, knowing participation, or consultation of, a
1268 candidate or agent of the candidate committee. "Independent
1269 expenditure" does not include an expenditure (A) if there is any
1270 coordination or direction with respect to the expenditure between the
1271 candidate or the treasurer, deputy treasurer or [chairman] chairperson
1272 of [his] such candidate committee and the person making the
1273 expenditure, or (B) if, during th-e same election cycle, the individual
1274 making the expenditure serves or has served as the treasurer, deputy
1275 treasurer or [chairman] chairperson of the candidate committee.

1276 (18) "Federal account" means a depository account that is subject to
1277 the disclosure and contribution limits provided under the Federal
1278 Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended from time to time.

1279 (19) "Public funds" means funds belonging to, or under the control
1280 of, the state or a political subdivision of the state.

1281 Sec. 26. Section 9-333b of the general statutes is repealed and the
1282 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and*

1283 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter):*

1284 (a) As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,
1285 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, "contribution" means:

1286 (1) Any gift, subscription, loan, advance, payment or deposit of
1287 money or anything of value, made for the purpose of influencing the
1288 nomination for election, or election, of any person or for the purpose of
1289 aiding or promoting the success or defeat of any referendum question
1290 or on behalf of any political party;

1291 (2) A written contract, promise or agreement to make a contribution
1292 for any such purpose;

1293 (3) The payment by any person, other than a candidate or campaign
1294 treasurer, of compensation for the personal services of any other
1295 person which are rendered without charge to a committee or candidate
1296 for any such purpose;

1297 (4) An expenditure when made by a person with the cooperation of,
1298 or in consultation with, any candidate, candidate committee or
1299 candidate's agent or which is made in concert with, or at the request or
1300 suggestion of, any candidate, candidate committee or candidate's
1301 agent; or

1302 (5) Funds received by a committee which are transferred from
1303 another committee or other source for any such purpose.

1304 (b) As used in this chapter and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,
1305 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, "contribution" does not mean:

1306 (1) A loan of money made in the ordinary course of business by a
1307 national or state bank;

1308 (2) Any communication made by a corporation, organization or
1309 association to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or
1310 administrative personnel, or their families;

1311 (3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns
1312 by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members,
1313 owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their
1314 families;

1315 (4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering
1316 their time;

1317 (5) The use of real or personal property, and the cost of invitations,
1318 food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a
1319 candidate or on behalf of a state central or town committee, in
1320 rendering voluntary personal services for candidate or party-related
1321 activities at the individual's residence, to the extent that the cumulative
1322 value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by the individual
1323 on behalf of any single candidate does not exceed two hundred dollars
1324 with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central
1325 and town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in any
1326 calendar year;

1327 (6) The sale of food or beverage for use in a candidate's campaign or
1328 for use by a state central or town committee at a discount, if the charge
1329 is not less than the cost to the vendor, to the extent that the cumulative
1330 value of the discount given to or on behalf of any single candidate does
1331 not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election,
1332 and on behalf of all state central and town committees does not exceed
1333 four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1334 (7) Any unreimbursed payment for travel expenses made by an
1335 individual who on the individual's own behalf volunteers the
1336 individual's personal services to any single candidate to the extent the
1337 cumulative value does not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to
1338 any single election, and on behalf of all state central or town
1339 committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

1340 (8) The payment, by a party committee, political committee or an
1341 individual, of the costs of preparation, display, mailing or other

1342 distribution incurred by the committee or individual with respect to
1343 any printed slate card, sample ballot or other printed list containing
1344 the names of three or more candidates;

1345 (9) The donation of any item of personal property by an individual
1346 to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction,
1347 or the purchase by an individual of any such item at such an affair, to
1348 the extent that the cumulative value donated or purchased does not
1349 exceed fifty dollars;

1350 (10) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the
1351 purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair, provided the
1352 cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two hundred fifty
1353 dollars from any single candidate or the candidate's committee with
1354 respect to any single election campaign or two hundred fifty dollars
1355 from any single party committee or other political committee in any
1356 calendar year if the purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars for
1357 purchases by any other person, except that the purchase of advertising
1358 space described in this subdivision shall be deemed to be a
1359 contribution for the purposes of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24,
1360 inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act;

1361 (11) The payment of money by a candidate to the candidate's
1362 candidate committee;

1363 (12) The donation of goods or services by a business entity to a
1364 committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, to
1365 the extent that the cumulative value donated does not exceed one
1366 hundred dollars;

1367 (13) The advance of a security deposit by an individual to a
1368 telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, for telecommunications
1369 service for a committee, provided the security deposit is refunded to
1370 the individual;

1371 (14) The provision of facilities, equipment, technical and managerial

1372 support, and broadcast time by a community antenna television
1373 company, as defined in section 16-1, for community access
1374 programming pursuant to section 16-331a, unless (A) the major
1375 purpose of providing such facilities, equipment, support and time is to
1376 influence the nomination or election of a candidate, or (B) such
1377 facilities, equipment, support and time are provided on behalf of a
1378 political party; or

1379 (15) The sale of food or beverage by a town committee to an
1380 individual at a town fair, county fair or similar mass gathering held
1381 within the state, to the extent that the cumulative payment made by
1382 any one individual for such items does not exceed fifty dollars.

1383 Sec. 27. Subsection (a) of section 9-333e of the general statutes, as
1384 amended by section 11 of public act 03-241, is repealed and the
1385 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and*
1386 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1387 (a) Statements filed by party committees, political committees
1388 formed to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum
1389 question proposing a constitutional convention, constitutional
1390 amendment or revision of the Constitution, individual lobbyists, and
1391 those political committees and candidate committees formed to aid or
1392 promote the success or defeat of any candidate for the office of
1393 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer,
1394 Comptroller, Attorney General, judge of probate and members of the
1395 General Assembly, shall be filed with the office of the Secretary of the
1396 State. A copy of each statement filed by a candidate committee formed
1397 to aid or promote the success of any candidate for the office of
1398 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
1399 State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state
1400 representative shall be filed at the same time with the commission. A
1401 copy of each statement filed by a town committee shall be filed at the
1402 same time with the town clerk of the municipality in which the
1403 committee is situated. A political committee formed for a slate of

1404 candidates in a primary for the office of justice of the peace shall file
1405 statements with both the Secretary of the State and the town clerk of
1406 the municipality in which the primary is to be held.

1407 Sec. 28. Subsection (a) of section 9-333m of the general statutes, as
1408 amended by section 13 of public act 03-241, is repealed and the
1409 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and*
1410 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1411 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions to, for
1412 the benefit of, or pursuant to the authorization or request of, a
1413 candidate or a committee supporting or opposing any candidate's
1414 campaign for nomination at a primary, or any candidate's campaign
1415 for election, to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of [two thousand
1416 five hundred] one thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor,
1417 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney
1418 General, in excess of [one thousand five hundred] seven hundred fifty
1419 dollars; (3) chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess
1420 of one thousand dollars; (4) state senator or probate judge, in excess of
1421 five hundred dollars; or (5) state representative or any other office of a
1422 municipality not [previously] specifically included in this subsection,
1423 in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. [The] Except for contributions
1424 to, or for the benefit of, a candidate's campaign for the office of
1425 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
1426 State Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state
1427 representative, the limits imposed by this subsection shall be applied
1428 separately to primaries and elections.

1429 Sec. 29. Section 9-333n of the general statutes, as amended by section
1430 14 of public act 03-241, is repealed and the following is substituted in
1431 lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010,*
1432 *and thereafter*):

1433 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions in any
1434 one calendar year in excess of five thousand dollars to the state central

1435 committee of any party, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
1436 to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a town
1437 committee of any political party, or for the benefit of such committee
1438 pursuant to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a
1439 political committee other than (1) a political committee formed solely
1440 to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, (2) an
1441 exploratory committee, (3) a political committee established by an
1442 organization, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant to its
1443 authorization or request, or (4) a political committee formed by a slate
1444 of candidates in a primary for the office of justice of the peace of the
1445 same town. No individual who makes a contribution to a party
1446 committee may direct such committee to contribute or expend any
1447 portion of such contribution to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's
1448 campaign for nomination or election to a state office, as defined in
1449 section 1 of this act.

1450 (b) No individual shall make a contribution to a political committee
1451 established by an organization which receives its funds from the
1452 organization's treasury. With respect to a political committee
1453 established by an organization which has complied with the provisions
1454 of subsection (b) or (c) of section 9-333p, and has elected to receive
1455 contributions, no individual other than a member of the organization
1456 may make contributions to the committee, in which case the individual
1457 may contribute not more than five hundred dollars in any one calendar
1458 year to such committee or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
1459 to its authorization or request.

1460 (c) In no event may any individual make contributions to a
1461 candidate committee and a political committee formed solely to
1462 support one candidate other than an exploratory committee or for the
1463 benefit of a candidate committee and a political committee formed
1464 solely to support one candidate pursuant to the authorization or
1465 request of any such committee, in an amount which in the aggregate is
1466 in excess of the maximum amount which may be contributed to the
1467 candidate.

1468 (d) Any individual may make unlimited contributions or
1469 expenditures to aid or promote the success or defeat of any
1470 referendum question, provided any individual who makes an
1471 expenditure or expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to
1472 promote the success or defeat of any referendum question shall file
1473 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as
1474 is required of a campaign treasurer of a political committee under
1475 section 9-333j.

1476 (e) Any individual acting alone may, independent of any candidate,
1477 agent of the candidate, or committee, make unlimited expenditures to
1478 promote the success or defeat of any candidate's campaign for election,
1479 or nomination at a primary, to any office or position. [provided any]
1480 Except for an individual who is subject to the provisions of subsection
1481 (a) of section 20 of this act, any individual who makes an independent
1482 expenditure or expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to
1483 promote the success or defeat of any candidate's campaign for election,
1484 or nomination at a primary, to any such office or position shall file
1485 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as
1486 [is] required of a campaign treasurer of a candidate committee under
1487 section 9-333j.

1488 (f) (1) As used in this subsection and subsection (f) of section 9-333j,
1489 (A) "investment services" means investment legal services, investment
1490 banking services, investment advisory services, underwriting services,
1491 financial advisory services or brokerage firm services, and (B)
1492 "principal of an investment services firm" means (i) an individual who
1493 is a director of or has an ownership interest in an investment services
1494 firm to which the State Treasurer pays compensation, expenses or fees
1495 or issues a contract, except for an individual who owns less than five
1496 per cent of the shares of an investment services firm which is a
1497 publicly traded corporation, (ii) an individual who is employed by
1498 such an investment services firm as president, treasurer, or executive
1499 or senior vice president, (iii) an employee of such an investment
1500 services firm who has managerial or discretionary responsibilities with

1501 respect to any investment services provided to the State Treasurer, (iv)
1502 the spouse or a dependent child of an individual described in this
1503 subparagraph, or (v) a political committee established by or on behalf
1504 of an individual described in this subparagraph.

1505 (2) No principal of an investment services firm shall make a
1506 contribution to, or solicit contributions on behalf of, an exploratory
1507 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for
1508 nomination or election to the office of State Treasurer during the term
1509 of office of the State Treasurer who pays compensation, expenses or
1510 fees or issues a contract to such firm.

1511 (3) Neither the State Treasurer, the Deputy State Treasurer, any
1512 unclassified employee of the office of the State Treasurer acting on
1513 behalf of the State Treasurer or Deputy State Treasurer, any candidate
1514 for the office of State Treasurer, any member of the Investment
1515 Advisory Council established under section 3-13b nor any agent of any
1516 such candidate may solicit contributions on behalf of an exploratory
1517 committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for
1518 nomination or election to any public office, a political committee or a
1519 party committee, from a principal of an investment services firm,
1520 except that the prohibition in this subsection shall not apply to an
1521 incumbent State Treasurer who establishes an exploratory committee
1522 or candidate committee for any public office other than State
1523 Treasurer.

1524 (4) No member of the Investment Advisory Council appointed
1525 under section 3-13b shall make a contribution to, or solicit
1526 contributions on behalf of, an exploratory committee or candidate
1527 committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the
1528 office of State Treasurer.

1529 (5) The provisions of this subsection shall not restrict an individual
1530 from establishing an exploratory or candidate committee for the
1531 individual's own campaign or from soliciting contributions for such

1532 committees from persons not prohibited from making contributions
1533 under this subsection.

1534 Sec. 30. Subsection (d) of section 9-333o of the general statutes is
1535 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1536 *1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1537 (d) A political committee organized by a business entity shall not
1538 make a contribution or contributions to or for the benefit of any
1539 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or any candidate's
1540 campaign for election to the office of: (1) Governor, in excess of [five]
1541 one thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1542 State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of
1543 [three thousand] seven hundred fifty dollars; (3) state senator, probate
1544 judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of
1545 one thousand dollars; (4) state representative, in excess of five hundred
1546 dollars; or (5) any other office of a municipality not included in
1547 subdivision (3) of this subsection, in excess of two hundred fifty
1548 dollars; or an exploratory committee, in excess of two hundred fifty
1549 dollars. [The] Except for contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1550 candidate's campaign for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1551 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney
1552 General, state senator or state representative, the limits imposed by
1553 this subsection shall apply separately to primaries and elections and
1554 contributions by any such committee to candidates designated in this
1555 subsection shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars in the
1556 aggregate for any single election and primary preliminary thereto.
1557 Contributions to such committees shall also be subject to the
1558 provisions of section 9-333t, as amended by this act, in the case of
1559 committees formed for ongoing political activity or section 9-333u, as
1560 amended by this act, in the case of committees formed for a single
1561 election or primary.

1562 Sec. 31. Section 9-333q of the general statutes is repealed and the
1563 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2004, and

1564 applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter):

1565 (a) No political committee established by an organization shall
1566 make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any
1567 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the
1568 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of [two thousand five hundred] one
1569 thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1570 Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of [one
1571 thousand five hundred] seven hundred fifty dollars; (3) chief executive
1572 officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of one thousand dollars; (4)
1573 state senator or probate judge, in excess of five hundred dollars; or (5)
1574 state representative or any other office of a municipality not
1575 [previously] specifically included in this subsection, in excess of two
1576 hundred fifty dollars.

1577 (b) No such committee shall make a contribution or contributions to,
1578 or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee, in excess of two
1579 hundred fifty dollars. Any such committee may make unlimited
1580 contributions to a political committee formed solely to aid or promote
1581 the success or defeat of a referendum question.

1582 (c) [The] Except for contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1583 candidate's campaign for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1584 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney
1585 General, state senator or state representative, the limits imposed by
1586 subsection (a) of this section shall apply separately to primaries and
1587 elections and no such committee shall make contributions to the
1588 candidates designated in this section which in the aggregate exceed
1589 fifty thousand dollars for any single election and primary preliminary
1590 thereto.

1591 (d) No political committee established by an organization shall
1592 make contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of, (1)
1593 the state central committee of a political party, in excess of five
1594 thousand dollars; (2) a town committee, in excess of one thousand

1595 dollars; or (3) any political committee, other than an exploratory
1596 committee or a committee formed solely to aid or promote the success
1597 or defeat of a referendum question, in excess of two thousand dollars.

1598 (e) No political committee established by an organization shall make
1599 contributions to the committees designated in subsection (d) of this
1600 section, which in the aggregate exceed fifteen thousand dollars in any
1601 one calendar year. Contributions to a political committee established
1602 by an organization shall also be subject to the provisions of section 9-
1603 333t, as amended by this act, in the case of a committee formed for
1604 ongoing political activity or section 9-333u, as amended by this act, in
1605 the case of a committee formed for a single election or primary.

1606 Sec. 32. Section 9-333s of the general statutes is repealed and the
1607 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and*
1608 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1609 (a) A party committee may make unlimited contributions to, or for
1610 the benefit of, any of the following: (1) Another party committee; (2) a
1611 candidate committee other than a candidate committee established to
1612 aid or promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a
1613 primary or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1614 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Attorney
1615 General, state senator or state representative; (3) a national committee
1616 of a political party; (4) a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-
1617 state office; or (5) a political committee.

1618 (b) (1) No state central committee shall make a contribution in
1619 excess of (A) fifty thousand dollars to a candidate committee
1620 established to aid or promote the success of one candidate for
1621 nomination at a primary or election to the office of Governor, (B) ten
1622 thousand dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or
1623 promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or
1624 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
1625 State Treasurer, State Comptroller or Attorney General, (C) five

1626 thousand dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or
1627 promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or
1628 election to the office of state senator, or (D) two thousand five hundred
1629 dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or promote the
1630 success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or election to the
1631 office of state representative.

1632 (2) No town committee shall make a contribution in excess of (A)
1633 one thousand dollars to a candidate committee established to aid or
1634 promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a primary or
1635 election to the office of Governor, or (B) five hundred dollars to a
1636 candidate committee established to aid or promote the success of one
1637 candidate for nomination at a primary or election to the office of
1638 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State
1639 Comptroller, Attorney General, state senator or state representative.

1640 (3) The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately
1641 to primaries and elections.

1642 (c) (1) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or
1643 election to the office of Governor shall receive more than (A) fifty
1644 thousand dollars, in total, from state central committees, or (B)
1645 seventy-five thousand dollars, in total, from town committees.

1646 (2) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or
1647 election to the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
1648 Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State shall receive
1649 more than (A) ten thousand dollars, in total, from state central
1650 committees, or (B) twenty thousand dollars, in total, from town
1651 committees.

1652 (3) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or
1653 election to the office of state senator shall receive more than (A) five
1654 thousand dollars, in total, from state central committees, or (B) ten
1655 thousand dollars, in total, from town committees.

1656 (4) No candidate committee of a candidate for nomination or
1657 election to the office of state representative shall receive more than (A)
1658 two thousand five hundred dollars, in total, from state central
1659 committees, or (B) five thousand dollars, in total, from town
1660 committees.

1661 (5) The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately
1662 to primaries and elections.

1663 (d) A party committee may also make contributions to a charitable
1664 organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section
1665 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time amended,
1666 or make memorial contributions.

1667 [(b)] (e) A party committee may receive contributions from a federal
1668 account of a national committee of a political party, but may not
1669 receive contributions from any other account of a national committee
1670 of a political party or from a committee of a candidate for federal or
1671 out-of-state office, for use in the election of candidates subject to the
1672 provisions of this chapter.

1673 Sec. 33. Section 9-333t of the general statutes is repealed and the
1674 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and*
1675 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1676 (a) No political committee organized for ongoing political activities
1677 shall make contributions to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's
1678 campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the office of:
1679 (1) Governor, in excess of one thousand dollars; (2) Lieutenant
1680 Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State Comptroller or
1681 Attorney General, in excess of seven hundred fifty dollars; or (3) state
1682 senator or state representative, in excess of five hundred dollars. The
1683 limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply separately to
1684 primaries and elections.

1685 [(a)] (b) A political committee organized for ongoing political

1686 activities may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1687 party committee; any national committee of a political party; a
1688 candidate committee other than a candidate committee established to
1689 aid or promote the success of one candidate for nomination at a
1690 primary or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1691 Attorney General, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State
1692 Comptroller, state senator or state representative; or a committee of a
1693 candidate for federal or out-of-state office. No such political committee
1694 shall make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand
1695 dollars to another political committee in any calendar year except that
1696 a political committee organized by a business entity may make
1697 unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, another political
1698 committee organized by a business entity. No political committee
1699 organized for ongoing political activities shall make a contribution in
1700 excess of two hundred fifty dollars to an exploratory committee. If
1701 such an ongoing committee is established by an organization or a
1702 business entity, its contributions shall be subject to the limits imposed
1703 by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive, as amended by this act. A
1704 political committee organized for ongoing political activities may
1705 make contributions to a charitable organization which is a tax-exempt
1706 organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as
1707 from time to time amended, or make memorial contributions.

1708 [(b)] (c) A political committee organized for ongoing political
1709 activities may receive contributions from the federal account of a
1710 national committee of a political party, but may not receive
1711 contributions from any other account of a national committee of a
1712 political party or from a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-
1713 state office.

1714 Sec. 34. Section 9-333u of the general statutes is repealed and the
1715 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and*
1716 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1717 (a) No political committee established for a single primary or

1718 election shall make contributions to, or for the benefit of, any
1719 candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the
1720 office of: (1) Governor, in excess of one thousand dollars; (2)
1721 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State
1722 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of seven hundred fifty
1723 dollars; or (3) state senator or state representative, in excess of five
1724 hundred dollars. The limits imposed by this subsection shall not apply
1725 separately to primaries and elections.

1726 [(a)] (b) A political committee established for a single primary or
1727 election may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
1728 party committee or a candidate committee other than a candidate
1729 committee established to aid or promote the success of one candidate
1730 for nomination at a primary or election to the office of Governor,
1731 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of the State, State
1732 Treasurer, State Comptroller, state senator or state representative, but
1733 no such political committee shall make contributions to a national
1734 committee, or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state
1735 office. If such a political committee is established by an organization or
1736 a business entity, its contributions shall also be subject to the
1737 limitations imposed by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive, as
1738 amended by this act. No political committee formed for a single
1739 election or primary shall, with respect to such election or primary
1740 make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand dollars
1741 to another political committee, provided no such political committee
1742 shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to an
1743 exploratory committee.

1744 [(b)] (c) A political committee established for a single primary or
1745 election shall not receive contributions from a committee of a
1746 candidate for federal or out-of-state office or from a national
1747 committee.

1748 Sec. 35. Subsection (b) of section 9-333y of the general statutes is
1749 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

1750 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter):

1751 (b) If any campaign treasurer or lobbyist fails to file the statements
1752 required by section 9-333j or subsection (g) of section 9-333l, as the case
1753 may be, within the time required, [he] the campaign treasurer of
1754 lobbyist shall pay a late filing fee of fifty-five dollars. In the case of a
1755 statement that is required to be filed with the Secretary of the State, the
1756 secretary shall, within ten days after the filing deadline, notify by
1757 certified mail, return receipt requested, the person required to file that,
1758 if such statement is not filed within twenty-one days after the deadline,
1759 the person is in violation of said section or subsection. If the person
1760 does not file such statement within twenty-one days after the deadline,
1761 the secretary shall notify the State Elections Enforcement Commission
1762 within twenty-eight days after the deadline. In the case of a copy of a
1763 statement that is required to be filed with the State Elections
1764 Enforcement Commission, the commission shall, not later than ten
1765 days after the filing deadline, notify by certified mail, return receipt
1766 requested, the person required to file that if such statement is not filed
1767 within twenty-one days after the deadline the person is in violation of
1768 section 9-333j. In the case of a statement that is required to be filed
1769 with a town clerk, the town clerk shall forthwith after the filing
1770 deadline notify by certified mail, return receipt requested, the person
1771 required to file that, if such statement is not filed within seven days
1772 after receiving such notice, the town clerk shall notify the State
1773 Elections Enforcement Commission that the person is in violation of
1774 said section or subsection. The penalty for any violation of said section
1775 or subsection shall be a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or
1776 imprisonment for not more than one year or both.

1777 Sec. 36. Section 9-7b of the general statutes, as amended by section 2
1778 of public act 03-223 and sections 53 and 65 of public act 03-241, is
1779 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
1780 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter):

1781 (a) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall have the

1782 following duties and powers:

1783 (1) To make investigations on its own initiative or with respect to
1784 statements filed with the commission by the Secretary of the State or
1785 any town clerk, or upon written complaint under oath by any
1786 individual, with respect to alleged violations of any provision of the
1787 general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38
1788 and 39 of this act, relating to any election or referendum, any primary
1789 held pursuant to section 9-423, 9-425 or 9-464 or any primary held
1790 pursuant to a special act, and to hold hearings when the commission
1791 deems necessary to investigate violations of any provisions of the
1792 general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38
1793 and 39 of this act, relating to any such election, primary or referendum,
1794 and for the purpose of such hearings the commission may administer
1795 oaths, examine witnesses and receive oral and documentary evidence,
1796 and shall have the power to subpoena witnesses under procedural
1797 rules the commission shall adopt, to compel their attendance and to
1798 require the production for examination of any books and papers which
1799 the commission deems relevant to any matter under investigation or in
1800 question. In connection with its investigation of any alleged violation
1801 of any provision of chapter 145, or of any provision of section 9-359 or
1802 section 9-359a, the commission shall also have the power to subpoena
1803 any municipal clerk and to require the production for examination of
1804 any absentee ballot, inner and outer envelope from which any such
1805 ballot has been removed, depository envelope containing any such
1806 ballot or inner or outer envelope as provided in sections 9-150a and 9-
1807 150b and any other record, form or document as provided in section 9-
1808 150b, in connection with the election, primary or referendum to which
1809 the investigation relates. In case of a refusal to comply with any
1810 subpoena issued pursuant to this subsection or to testify with respect
1811 to any matter upon which that person may be lawfully interrogated,
1812 the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of
1813 the commission, may issue an order requiring such person to comply
1814 with such subpoena and to testify; failure to obey any such order of the

1815 court may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. In any
1816 matter under investigation which concerns the operation or inspection
1817 of or outcome recorded on any voting machine, the commission may
1818 issue an order to the municipal clerk to impound such machine until
1819 the investigation is completed;

1820 (2) To levy a civil penalty not to exceed (A) two thousand dollars
1821 per offense against any person the commission finds to be in violation
1822 of any provision of chapter 145, part V of chapter 146, part I of chapter
1823 147, chapter 148, section 9-12, subsection (a) of section 9-17, section 9-
1824 19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a, 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-
1825 23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-
1826 50a, 9-56, 9-59, 9-168d, 9-170, 9-171, 9-172, 9-409, 9-410, 9-412, 9-436, 9-
1827 436a, 9-453e to 9-453h, inclusive, 9-453k, 9-453o, [or] sections 1 to 3,
1828 inclusive, of [this act] public act 03-241, or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to
1829 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, or (B) two thousand dollars per
1830 offense or twice the amount of any improper payment or contribution,
1831 whichever is greater, against any person the commission finds to be in
1832 violation of any provision of chapter 150. The commission may levy a
1833 civil penalty against any person under subparagraph (A) or (B) of this
1834 subdivision only after giving the person an opportunity to be heard at
1835 a hearing conducted in accordance with sections 4-176e to 4-184,
1836 inclusive. In the case of failure to pay any such penalty levied pursuant
1837 to this subsection [within] not later than thirty days of written notice
1838 sent by certified or registered mail to such person, the superior court
1839 for the judicial district of Hartford, on application of the commission,
1840 may issue an order requiring such person to pay the penalty imposed
1841 and such court costs, state marshal's fees and attorney's fees incurred
1842 by the commission as the court may determine. Any civil penalties
1843 paid, collected or recovered under subparagraph (B) of this
1844 subdivision for a violation of any provision of chapter 150 applying to
1845 the office of the Treasurer shall be deposited on a pro rata basis in any
1846 trust funds, as defined in section 3-13c, affected by such violation;

1847 (3) (A) To issue an order requiring any person the commission finds

1848 to have received any contribution or payment which is prohibited by
1849 any of the provisions of chapter 150, after an opportunity to be heard
1850 at a hearing conducted in accordance with the provisions of sections 4-
1851 176e to 4-184, inclusive, to return such contribution or payment to the
1852 donor or payor, or to remit such contribution or payment to the state
1853 for deposit in the General Fund, whichever is deemed necessary to
1854 effectuate the purposes of chapter 150;

1855 (B) To issue an order when the commission finds that an intentional
1856 violation of any provision of chapter 150 has been committed, after an
1857 opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with
1858 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive, which order may contain one or
1859 more of the following sanctions: (i) Removal of a campaign treasurer,
1860 deputy campaign treasurer or solicitor; (ii) prohibition on serving as a
1861 campaign treasurer, deputy campaign treasurer or solicitor, for a
1862 period not to exceed four years; and (iii) in the case of a party
1863 committee or a political committee, suspension of all political
1864 activities, including, but not limited to, the receipt of contributions and
1865 the making of expenditures, provided the commission may not order
1866 such a suspension unless the commission has previously ordered the
1867 removal of the campaign treasurer and notifies the officers of the
1868 committee that the commission is considering such suspension;

1869 (C) To issue an order revoking any person's eligibility to be
1870 appointed or serve as an election, primary or referendum official or
1871 unofficial checker or in any capacity at the polls on the day of an
1872 election, primary or referendum, when the commission finds such
1873 person has intentionally violated any provision of the general statutes
1874 relating to the conduct of an election, primary or referendum, after an
1875 opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in accordance with
1876 sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

1877 (4) To issue an order to a candidate committee which receives
1878 moneys from the Citizens' Election Fund pursuant to sections 1 to 4,
1879 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, to comply with

1880 the provisions of said sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and
1881 38 and 39, after an opportunity to be heard at a hearing conducted in
1882 accordance with the provisions of sections 4-176e to 4-184, inclusive;

1883 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) To inspect or audit at any reasonable time and upon
1884 reasonable notice the accounts or records of any campaign treasurer or
1885 principal campaign treasurer, as required by chapter 150 and sections 1
1886 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, and to audit
1887 any such election, primary or referendum held within the state;
1888 provided, (A) (i) not later than two months preceding the day of an
1889 election at which a candidate is seeking election, the commission shall
1890 complete any audit it has initiated in the absence of a complaint that
1891 involves a committee of the same candidate from a previous election,
1892 and (ii) during the two-month period preceding the day of an election
1893 at which a candidate is seeking election, the commission shall not
1894 initiate an audit in the absence of a complaint that involves a
1895 committee of the same candidate from a previous election, and (B) the
1896 commission shall not audit any caucus, as defined in subdivision (1) of
1897 section 9-372;

1898 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) To attempt to secure voluntary compliance, by informal
1899 methods of conference, conciliation and persuasion, with any
1900 provision of chapters 149 to 153, inclusive, or any other provision of
1901 the general statutes relating to any such election, primary or
1902 referendum;

1903 ~~[(6)]~~ (7) To consult with the Secretary of the State, the Chief State's
1904 Attorney or the Attorney General on any matter which the commission
1905 deems appropriate;

1906 ~~[(7)]~~ (8) To refer to the Chief State's Attorney evidence bearing upon
1907 violation of any provision of chapters 149 to 153, inclusive, or any
1908 other provision of the general statutes or sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to
1909 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, pertaining to or relating to any
1910 such election, primary or referendum;

1911 [(8)] (9) To refer to the Attorney General evidence for injunctive
1912 relief and any other ancillary equitable relief in the circumstances of
1913 subdivision [(7)] (8) of this [section] subsection. Nothing in this
1914 subdivision shall preclude a person who claims that [he] such person is
1915 aggrieved by a violation of any provision of chapter 152 or any other
1916 provision of the general statutes relating to referenda from pursuing
1917 injunctive and any other ancillary equitable relief directly from the
1918 Superior Court by the filing of a complaint;

1919 [(9)] (10) To refer to the Attorney General evidence pertaining to any
1920 ruling which the commission finds to be in error made by election
1921 officials in connection with any election, primary or referendum. Those
1922 remedies and procedures available to parties claiming to be aggrieved
1923 under the provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, as amended by this act, 9-
1924 328 and 9-329a shall apply to any complaint brought by the Attorney
1925 General as a result of the provisions of this subdivision;

1926 [(10)] (11) To consult with the United States Department of Justice
1927 and the United States Attorney for Connecticut on any investigation
1928 pertaining to a violation of this section, section 9-12, subsection (a) of
1929 section 9-17 or section 9-19b, 9-19e, 9-19g, 9-19h, 9-19i, 9-20, 9-21, 9-23a,
1930 9-23g, 9-23h, 9-23j to 9-23o, inclusive, 9-26, 9-31a, 9-32, 9-35, 9-35b, 9-
1931 35c, 9-40a, 9-42, 9-43, 9-50a, 9-56 or 9-59 and to refer to said department
1932 and attorney evidence bearing upon any such violation for prosecution
1933 under the provisions of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993,
1934 P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time;

1935 [(11)] (12) To inspect reports filed with the Secretary of the State and
1936 with town clerks pursuant to chapter 150 and refer to the Chief State's
1937 Attorney evidence bearing upon any violation of law therein if such
1938 violation was committed knowingly and wilfully;

1939 [(12)] (13) To intervene in any action brought pursuant to the
1940 provisions of sections 9-323, 9-324, as amended by this act, 9-328 and 9-
1941 329a upon application to the court in which such action is brought

1942 when in the opinion of the court it is necessary to preserve evidence of
1943 possible criminal violation of the election laws;

1944 [(13)] (14) To adopt and publish regulations pursuant to chapter 54
1945 to carry out the provisions of section 9-7a, this section, sections 1 to 4,
1946 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, and chapter 150;
1947 to issue upon request and publish advisory opinions in the
1948 Connecticut Law Journal upon the requirements of chapter 150 and
1949 sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act,
1950 and to make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning
1951 suggested revisions of the election laws;

1952 [(14)] (15) To the extent that the Elections Enforcement Commission
1953 is involved in the investigation of alleged or suspected criminal
1954 violations of any provision of the general statutes or sections 1 to 4,
1955 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, pertaining to or
1956 relating to any such election, primary or referendum and is engaged in
1957 such investigation for the purpose of presenting evidence to the Chief
1958 State's Attorney, the Elections Enforcement Commission shall be
1959 deemed a law enforcement agency for purposes of subdivision (3) of
1960 subsection (b) of section 1-210, provided nothing in this section shall be
1961 construed to exempt the Elections Enforcement Commission in any
1962 other respect from the requirements of the Freedom of Information
1963 Act, as defined in section 1-200;

1964 [(15)] (16) To enter into such contractual agreements as may be
1965 necessary for the discharge of its duties, within the limits of its
1966 appropriated funds and in accordance with established procedures;
1967 and

1968 [(16)] (17) To provide the Secretary of the State with notice and
1969 copies of all decisions rendered by the commission in contested cases,
1970 advisory opinions and declaratory judgments, at the time such
1971 decisions, judgments and opinions are made or issued.

1972 (b) In the case of a refusal to comply with an order of the

1973 commission issued pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this
1974 section, the superior court for the judicial district of Hartford, on
1975 application of the commission, may issue a further order to comply.
1976 Failure to obey such further order may be punished by the court as a
1977 contempt thereof.

1978 Sec. 37. Section 9-324 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1979 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004, and*
1980 *applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter*):

1981 Any elector or candidate who claims that [he] such elector or
1982 candidate is aggrieved by any ruling of any election official in
1983 connection with any election for Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1984 Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, State
1985 Comptroller or judge of probate, held in [his] such elector's or
1986 candidate's town, or that there has been a mistake in the count of the
1987 votes cast at such election for candidates for said offices or any of
1988 them, at any voting district in [his] such elector's or candidate's town,
1989 or any candidate for such an office who claims that [he] such candidate
1990 is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of [sections] section 9-355,
1991 9-357 to 9-361, inclusive, 9-364, 9-364a or 9-365 in the casting of
1992 absentee ballots at such election or any candidate for the office of
1993 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer,
1994 Attorney General or State Comptroller, who claims that such candidate
1995 is aggrieved by a violation of any provision of sections 1 to 4, inclusive,
1996 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act, may bring [his] such
1997 elector's or candidate's complaint to any judge of the Superior Court,
1998 in which [he] such elector or candidate shall set out the claimed errors
1999 of such election official, the claimed errors in the count or the claimed
2000 violations of said sections. In any action brought pursuant to the
2001 provisions of this section, the complainant shall send a copy of the
2002 complaint by first-class mail, or deliver a copy of the complaint by
2003 hand, to the State Elections Enforcement Commission. If such
2004 complaint is made prior to such election, such judge shall proceed
2005 expeditiously to render judgment on the complaint and shall cause

2006 notice of the hearing to be given to the Secretary of the State and the
2007 State Elections Enforcement Commission. If such complaint is made
2008 subsequent to the election, it shall be brought [within] not later than
2009 fourteen days of the election and such judge shall forthwith order a
2010 hearing to be had upon such complaint, upon a day not more than five
2011 nor less than three days from the making of such order, and shall cause
2012 notice of not less than three nor more than five days to be given to any
2013 candidate or candidates whose election may be affected by the decision
2014 upon such hearing, to such election official, the Secretary of the State,
2015 the State Elections Enforcement Commission and to any other party or
2016 parties whom such judge deems proper parties thereto, of the time and
2017 place for the hearing upon such complaint. Such judge shall, on the
2018 day fixed for such hearing and without unnecessary delay, proceed to
2019 hear the parties. If sufficient reason is shown, [he] such judge may
2020 order any voting machines to be unlocked or any ballot boxes to be
2021 opened and a recount of the votes cast, including absentee ballots, to
2022 be made. Such judge shall thereupon, in case [he] such judge finds any
2023 error in the rulings of the election official, any mistake in the count of
2024 the votes or any violation of said sections, certify the result of [his]
2025 such judge's finding or decision to the Secretary of the State before the
2026 fifteenth day of the next succeeding December. Such judge may order a
2027 new election or a change in the existing election schedule. Such
2028 certificate of such judge of [his] such judge's finding or decision shall
2029 be final and conclusive upon all questions relating to errors in the
2030 rulings of such election officials, to the correctness of such count, and,
2031 for the purposes of this section only, such claimed violations, and shall
2032 operate to correct the returns of the moderators or presiding officers,
2033 so as to conform to such finding or decision, unless the same is
2034 appealed from as provided in section 9-325.

2035 Sec. 38. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
2036 *2010, and thereafter*) (a) Not later than May 15, 2006, and annually
2037 thereafter, the State Elections Enforcement Commission shall issue a
2038 report on the status of the Citizens' Election Fund during the previous

2039 calendar year. Such report shall include the amount of moneys
2040 deposited in the fund, the sources of moneys received by category, the
2041 number of contributions, the number of contributors, the amount of
2042 moneys expended by category, the recipients of moneys distributed
2043 from the fund and an accounting of the costs incurred by the
2044 commission in administering the provisions of sections 1 to 4,
2045 inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and 38 and 39 of this act. Not later than
2046 May 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the Commissioner of Revenue
2047 Services shall submit to the commission the information in the
2048 possession of the commissioner which the commission needs to
2049 complete such report.

2050 (b) Not later than June 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the joint
2051 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
2052 matters relating to elections shall submit a report to the General
2053 Assembly on the implementation of the provisions of this act. The
2054 report shall include a summary of the report on the status of the fund
2055 submitted to the committee under subsection (a) of this section. The
2056 report submitted not later than June 1, 2011, and every four years
2057 thereafter, shall also include a review of the implementation of the
2058 provisions of this act with regard to the election held during the
2059 preceding calendar year for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant
2060 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer,
2061 Secretary of the State, state senator and state representative.

2062 Sec. 39. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in*
2063 *2010, and thereafter*) If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that
2064 any provision of sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 24, inclusive, and
2065 sections 38 and 39 of this act is unconstitutional, such action shall not
2066 affect the implementation of all remaining provisions of said sections.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>

Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
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Sec. 38	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>
Sec. 39	<i>July 1, 2004, and applicable to elections held in 2010, and thereafter</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a voluntary program of comprehensive campaign finance reform for the election of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer, and Secretary of the State, and state senators and state representatives, starting in 2010. The program would (1) provide grants to candidates who (A) raise

threshold levels of qualifying contributions from sources other than state contractors, lobbyists and political committees, and (B) agree to limit campaign spending to qualifying contributions, grants under this program and contributions from political parties, (2) fund the grants through use of a voluntary taxpayer check-off system, donated campaign surpluses, contributions, and payments of civil penalties and late fees imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission, the Secretary of the State and the State Ethics Commission, (3) reduce maximum campaign contributions from individuals and (4) impose limits on campaign contributions from political committees established for single elections or ongoing political activities.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]